

MICHAEL F. EASLEY GOVERNOR

## CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS WEEK

2007

## BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

## A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, more than 11,000 North Carolina correctional officers are responsible for the daily supervision of 38,000 criminal offenders housed in North Carolina's prison system; and,

WHEREAS, correctional officers are responsible for ensuring the safety of the general public, correctional staff and offenders; and

WHEREAS, correctional officers must act as communicators and experts at crisis management, acting to resolve conflicts and to restrain persons representing a danger to themselves or others; and

WHEREAS, correctional officers must develop and maintain these skills through rigorous basic and annual training; and

WHEREAS, correctional officers often must perform their work under adverse and hazardous conditions while continuing to meet the high standards set by their profession and the expectations of the public; and

WHEREAS, correctional officers often perform outstanding services outside the scope of their normal responsibilities to their communities in times of need and crisis;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MICHAEL F. EASLEY, Governor of the State of North Carolina, join Secretary of Correction Theodis Beck in proclaiming May 6-12, 2007, as "CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS WEEK" in North Carolina and recommend this observance to our citizens.



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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this tenth day of April in the year of our Lord two thousand and seven, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirty-first.